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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

282/2020

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Economic Policies & Plan Implementation, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(2)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) whether he is aware of the fact that some artists have been recruited into Sri Lanka Army on special basis during the period from 2005-2014; and
- (ii) if so their names, date of recruitment and designation, separately?

(b) Will he also state—

- (i) to which force out of the volunteer and regular forces those artists have been enlisted;
- (ii) the training period and the name of the training camp, if they have been given army training; and
- (iii) the duties assigned to each of those artists, the regiment each one was attached to and the salaries, allowances and benefits paid subsequent to training?

(c) Will he further state—

- (i) whether the said recruitment is legal;
- (ii) if not, the measures taken and expected to be taken against the parties involved in it?

(d) If not, why?

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2.

464/2020

Hon. Mohomad Muzammil,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Economic Policies & Plan Implementation, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the financial value of the weapons that were destroyed at the explosion at the Salawa Army camp in 2016;
 - (ii) the financial value of the damage caused to that Army camp owing to the explosion;
 - (iii) the financial value of the damage caused to the shops and houses close to the Army camp owing to the explosion, separately?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether a formal investigation was conducted on that explosion;
 - (ii) if so, the reason for that explosion according to that investigation;
 - (iii) whether legal action has been initiated against the perpetrators of that explosion, if they have been identified?
- (c) If not, why?

3.

1283/2020

Hon. Waruna Liyanage,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Economic Policies & Plan Implementation, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of houses with high risks in Ratnapura district that have been identified to date from year 2016; and
 - (ii) the number of families residing in the aforesaid houses that have received benefits under the resettlement programme?
- (b) Will he admit that there is a delay in providing benefits to the families, who are living in the houses with high risks, under the resettlement programme?
- (c) If not, why?

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4.

85/2020

Hon. Hesha Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the methodology adopted in granting Title Certificates to the people who resided in Mahaweli zones for a long period of time ;
 - (ii) whether he accepts that the valuation amounts on certain lands in Walawa zone are unreasonable when Title Certificates are granted to the people who resided in aforesaid zone for a long period of time;
 - (iii) the measures that have been taken in that regard so far ;
 - (iv) the time taken to grant Title Certificates to the people who resided in Mahaweli zones for a long period of time, on a reasonable lease amount; and
 - (v) whether the performance of the institutions that are working on aforesaid matter is satisfactory?
- (b) If not, why?

5.

671/2020

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) as to how the money to be spent on the proposed remaining work of the Bingiriya, Kiniyama Irrigation Project of which the construction was recently commenced will be sourced;
 - (ii) the amount of money to be spent on the proposed remaining work components;
 - (iii) the time to be taken for the proposed remaining work components; and
 - (iv) the number of tanks to be revived by the said project?
- (b) If not, why?

6.

1203/2020

Hon. K.P.S. Kumarasiri,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) there are 14 tanks under the major irrigation schemes of which the cultivation extent is approximately 126,242 acres;
 - (ii) there are 83 tanks under the medium irrigation schemes of which the cultivation extent is approximately 29,775 acres;

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- (iii) there are 3019 tanks under the provincial irrigation schemes of which the cultivation extent is approximately 106,185 acres; and
- (iv) the water capacity of most of the above tanks has decreased due to the deposition of silt and as a result of being infested with various aquatic weeds such as Salvinia and Water Hyacinth;

in Anuradhapura District?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the measures taken as of now for the renovation of abovementioned tanks; and
- (ii) the measures taken for manufacturing organic fertilizer using Salvinia and Water Hyacinth?

(c) If not, why?

7.

543/2020

Hon. Samanpriya Herath,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that employees were recruited to the non-academic staff of the national schools in Sri Lanka during the period from the year 2015 to 2018?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) separately, the job titles for which employees were recruited in each of the aforesaid national schools; and
 - (ii) separately, the number of employees recruited to each of the aforesaid national schools?
- (c) If not, why?

8.

806/2020

Hon. Sivagnanam Shritharan,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of principals who have been appointed to the schools island wide on the super numeracy basis; and
 - (ii) out of the above principals, of the number of principals who serve in the Northern and Eastern provinces?
- (b) Will he also inform this House, with regard to the aforesaid principals—
 - (i) the date on which the appointments have been given as referred in (a) (i) above;
 - (ii) the reasons for not granting the salary increments, promotions and transfers; and
 - (iii) the dates on which the salary increments, promotions and transfers will be given?

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(c) Will he further inform this House—

- (i) the reasons for not absorbing the aforesaid principals to the permanent service; and
- (ii) the dates on which they will be absorbed to the permanent service?

(d) If not, why?

9.

465/2020

Hon. Mohomad Muzammil,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the amount of money spent to print school text books in the years 2018 and 2019, in relation to each year, separately;
- (ii) the number of text books printed in each of the above years, separately;
- (iii) whether a colour photograph of the then Minister of Education had been printed in those text books; and
- (iv) if so, the amount of money that was spent to print that photograph in those text books?

(b) If not, why?

10.

803/2020

Hon. Sivagnanam Shritharan,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) there is a school by the name of Kili/ Wattakkachchi Central College in Karachchci Divisional Secretariat Division of the district of Kilinochchi;
- (ii) the foundation stone has been laid to construct a new auditorium for the above school in 2017; and
- (iii) the construction activities of the auditorium have been suspended due to not releasing the funds allocated for this purpose?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the ministry which has allocated funds for the construction of the above mentioned auditorium; and
- (ii) the reasons for not releasing the funds allocated for the same?

(c) Will he also inform this House—

- (i) the amount of money needed to complete the construction of the above mentioned auditorium;
- (ii) the date on which allocations will be made for this purpose; and
- (iii) the time needed to complete the construction of the said auditorium and to provide it for the use of the students?

(d) If not, why?

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11.

67/2020

Hon. Hesha Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Public Services, Provincial Councils & Local Government,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the subject of garbage management comes under the purview of Provincial Councils as per the 13th amendment to the constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) if so, of the names of the Provincial Councils which have established separate institutions for solid waste management from the commencement of the Provincial Council System up to date;
 - (ii) the names of the Provincial Councils which have not established a specific institution for the above purpose; and
 - (iii) the steps that will be taken by the Ministry with pertinence to the establishment of a specific institution in the Provincial Councils where such specific entities have not yet been established?
- (c) If not why?

12.

80/2020

Hon. Hesha Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Public Services, Provincial Councils & Local Government,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of weekly fairs that have been developed in the Rathnapura district under the grants allocated by the Ministry of Provincial Councils and Local Government from the year 2010 to date;
 - (ii) of the names of the weekly fairs developed thus;
 - (iii) separately of the amount of money spent on the development of each of the said fairs; and
 - (iv) separately of the name and address of the person who undertook the contract to develop each of the aforesaid weekly fairs?
- (b) If not, why?

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13.

519/2020

Hon. Shanakiyan Rajaputhiran Rasamanickam,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the local fishermen face number of difficulties not being able to operate large fishing trawlers except for usual trawlers, as the entrance to the Valachchenai Fisheries Harbour is not sufficiently wide and deep; and
 - (ii) it is required to widen the Harbour?
- (b) Will he inform this House, the measures taken to widen aforesaid Harbour?
- (c) If not, why?

14.

757/2020

Hon. Amarakeerthi Athukorala,— To ask the Minister of Wildlife & Forest Conservation,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House, in respect of Polonnaruwa district—
 - (i) whether a study has been conducted with regard to the movements of Wild Elephants;
 - (ii) separately, of the National Parks and the Forest Reservations where the Wild Elephants frequently move;
 - (iii) the locations of the Elephant Corridors, if there is any; and
 - (iv) the villages or human dwellings that blocks the Elephant Corridors?
- (b) Will he also inform this House, separately—
 - (i) as per the Divisional Secretariat Divisions, the number of people and the Elephants died;
 - (ii) as per each year, the number of Houses damaged; and
 - (iii) as per individuals, the compensation granted for the deaths and for the people who lost properties by reason of Human-Elephant conflicts, from 2015 to September 2020?
- (c) Will he further inform this House, the new measures that have been taken to control the Human-Elephant conflict of the district?
- (d) If not, why?

15.

945/2020

Hon. Mayantha Dissanayake,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Economic Policies & Plan Implementation, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that a fund named “Itukama COVID-19 Health and Social Security Fund” has been established?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the objectives of launching the said Fund;
 - (ii) the name of the institution which manages the said Fund;
 - (iii) whether a government officer has been appointed to administer the said Fund; and
 - (iv) if so, the name and post of the said officer?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) the balance of the said Fund as of now;
 - (ii) the benefits provided from the aforementioned Fund to the people affected by the COVID-19 pandemic; and
 - (iii) the amount spent for that purpose?
- (d) If not, why?

16.

510/2020

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the quantity of Yellow berried Nightshades that have been imported to Sri Lanka in 2015;
 - (ii) the amount of money spent for that;
 - (iii) the quantity of Yellow berried Nightshades produced in Sri Lanka during the aforesaid period; and
 - (iv) the courses of action that will be taken to promote the Yellow berried Nightshade cultivation in Sri Lanka?
- (b) If not, why?

17.

620/2020

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether it has been decided by the Sri Lanka Medical Council to blacklist certain international universities that award medical degrees;

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- (ii) if so, of the names of the aforesaid universities; and
- (iii) of the reasons that contributed to such a decision?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) separately for each year the number of Sri Lankan students who got graduated from the universities mentioned in (a) (ii) above from the year 2010 to date; and
 - (ii) the future measures that will be taken by the Ministry about the aforesaid universities?
- (c) If not, why?

18.

825/2020

Hon. Shantha Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

- (a) Will he admit that —
 - (i) a hospital dedicated to treatment of kidney diseases has been built at Siyambalangamuwa area of Polpithigama divisional secretariat in Kurunegala district;
 - (ii) a large number of persons living in Galgamuwa and Polpithigama areas are suffering from kidney diseases; and
 - (iii) whereas, the aforesaid hospital has been closed down for more than 03 years?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether measures will be taken to open the aforesaid hospital and treat the persons suffering from kidney diseases?
- (c) If not, why?

19.

1080/2020

Hon. Kins Nelson,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of kidney patients reported from Polonnaruwa district during the last five years;
 - (ii) the number of kidney patients in Polonnaruwa district that died during aforesaid period of time; and
 - (iii) the courses of action that have been taken by now to prevent the kidney disease?
- (b) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the newly identified kidney patients have not been included into the programme of providing financial aid to kidney patients on a monthly basis, which has been implemented by the government; and
 - (ii) the programme of constructing houses for kidney patients with a lower income is not functioning at present?

- (c) Will he also inform this House of the courses action that will be taken to implement the programmes mentioned in (b) (i) and (ii) above in a systematic manner?
- (d) If not, why?

20.

1200/2020

Hon. K.P.S. Kumarasiri,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the basis on which the director of the Anuradhapura General Hospital appointed;
 - (ii) the number of doctors serving in the said hospital as of now;
 - (iii) the number of vacancies exist at present in the post of Medical Officer;
 - (iv) the number of members currently serving in the nursing staff; and
 - (v) the number of vacancies in the nursing staff?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) the present situation with regard to the cardiac disease operation theatre;
 - (ii) the building complex for children and maternity clinics;
 - (iii) the emergency treatment unit;planned to be constructed under Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) aid?
- (c) If not, why?

21.

356/2020

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Environment,—(2)

- (a) Will he admit that—
 - (i) the 'Nilwala river' of Matara has become polluted due to dumping of waste into the river;
 - (ii) it has created a serious health issue to the people of Matara district; and
 - (iii) both sides of the 'Nilwala river' should be declared as a reserve in order to safeguard the quality of the water?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether measures will be taken to establish a reserve up to 33 feet on both sides of the 'Nilwala river'; and
 - (ii) if so, the aforesaid date is?

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- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether persons had been arrested in the year 2016 for dumping waste into ‘Nilwala river’; and
 - (ii) if so, the number of persons arrested?
- (d) If not, why?

22.

2264/2021

Hon. Wasantha Yapabandara,— To ask the Minister of Environment,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware of the fact that a hotel is being constructed without permission by making inroads into the Mahaweli river near the chain bridge that has been constructed across the Mahaweli river in the Gananoruwa area in Peradeniya ,opposite the Botanical Gardens of Peradeniya; and
 - (ii) if so, the action that has been taken by now to stop the aforesaid unauthorized construction?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware of the fact that a large number of unauthorized constructions have been made in the forest reserve of the Mahaweli river situated at the left side of the Dodanwala new bridge in the Aniwatta area in Kandy (at the entrance of the of the road from Aniwattta to Haloluwa);
 - (ii) if so, the action taken by now against the aforesaid unauthorized constructions; and
 - (iii) the action that will be taken in the future to avoid unauthorized constructions?
- (c) If not, why?

23.

347/2020

Hon. S.M. Marikkar,— To ask the Minister of Lands,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of houses with no deeds for the lands, situated within Thimbirigasyaya Divisional Secretariat Division;
 - (ii) whether there is a programme to provide deeds for those lands; and
 - (iii) if so, how that programme is implemented?
- (b) If not, why?

24.

822/2020

Hon. Shantha Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Lands,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he admits that large number of persons residing in Kurunegala do not possess title deeds for their lands; and
 - (ii) whether a programme will be prepared to provide title deeds for the aforesaid lands ?
- (b) Is he aware that—
 - (i) people of Irudeniya village of Polpithigama Divisional Secretariat have been living in the area for nearly 50 years; and
 - (ii) they have not been provided with title deeds for their lands ?
- (c) Will he inform this House of the date, the people of Irudeniya village will be provided with title deeds for their lands ?
- (d) If not, why?

25.

355/2020

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply,—(1)

- (a) Will he admit that—
 - (i) the quality of the water of the tanks situated in Anuradhapura district that provide drinking water has deteriorated; and
 - (ii) aforesaid water is unsuitable for human consumption as it contains toxic substances including E-coli ?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the names of the tanks situated in Anuradhapura district that are used to obtain drinking water;
 - (ii) whether measures have been taken to improve the quality of the water of the aforesaid tanks; and
 - (iii) if so, those measures are?
- (c) If not, why?

26.

1108/2020

Hon. J. C. Alawathuwala,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the date on which the work of the Galagedara, Mawathagama (Mallawapitiya) water supply project was commenced;
 - (ii) the estimated amount of the aforesaid project;
 - (iii) the number of institutions and houses to which it is expected to provide water through the aforesaid water supply project;

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- (iv) the current situation of the aforesaid project; and
- (v) the date on which the aforesaid project will be opened having completed its work?

(b) If not, why?

27.

308/2020

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Energy,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) separately, of the profit earned/loss incurred by the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation from year 2015 to 2020 on per year basis;
- (ii) of the number of government institutions, boards, corporations and departments that are in debt to the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation and their names;
- (iii) separately, of the amounts payable by the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation to each state bank; and
- (iv) of the steps that will be taken by the Ministry to financially strengthen the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation?

(b) If not, why?

28.

227/2020

Hon. Mohomad Muzammil,— To ask the Minister of Plantation,—(3)

(a) Will he inform this House separately, pertaining to each of the year during the period from 2015 to 2019, of—

- (i) the quantity of maize imported into Sri Lanka;
- (ii) the money that has been incurred on that;
- (iii) the countries from which those maize were imported; and
- (iv) the companies which imported those maize?

(b) Will he also inform this House of the total expenditure of importing maize into Sri Lanka during the period concerned?

(c) If not, why?

29.

321/2020

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Youth and Sports,—(2)

(a) Will he inform this House of—

- (i) the amount of money allocated to develop table tennis in Sri Lanka in 2019;

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- (ii) the amount, out of that amount, that has been allocated for government schools; and
- (iii) the amount, out of the amount allocated in above (i), to develop table tennis skills among school dropouts?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether steps have been taken to prepare plans to train school children to get international victories in table tennis;
 - (ii) if so, what those steps are?
- (c) Will he further inform this House—
 - (i) whether the government is involved in administration and development activities of the Sri Lanka Table Tennis Association and other affiliated organizations; and
 - (ii) if so, the nature of the government's involvement?
- (d) If not, why?

30.

1829/2021

Hon. Chamara Sampath Dasanayake,— To ask the Minister of Justice,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether it is accepted that the people are inconvenienced due to the court backlog resulted by the delay in judicial proceedings in Sri Lanka; and
 - (ii) the reasons that lead to the delay in providing legal instructions for the cases which are directed to the Attorney General's Department?
- (b) If not, why?

31.

871/2020

Hon. Imran Maharoof,— To ask the Minister of Transport,—(1)

- (a) Will she inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Sri Lanka Transport Board depots located in Trincomalee district;
 - (ii) the names of those depots;
 - (iii) the number of currently available buses that are suitable for operation in each of the aforesaid depots; and
 - (iv) the number of vacancies that are currently existing in each of the aforesaid depots?

- (b) Will she also inform this House of the steps that will be taken by the Ministry to develop the human resources of the aforesaid depots in Trincomalee district and to improve existing fleets of buses in those depots?
- (c) If not, why?

32.

971/2020

Hon. S. M. M. Muszhaaraff,— To ask the Minister of Transport,—(1)

- (a) Will she inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Depots and Sub-depots belonging to the Sri Lanka Transport Board in the Ampara district;
 - (ii) the name of each Depot and Sub-depot mentioned above;
 - (iii) the number of buses that are in running condition at present in each Depot and Sub-depot mentioned above, separately; and
 - (iv) the number of vacancies exist in each Depot and Sub-depot mentioned above, separately?
- (b) Will she also inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that the regional Sub-depot belonging to the Sri Lanka Transport Board located at Pottuvil in the Ampara district was made a Sub-depot in 2011 and it still remains a Sub-depot;
 - (ii) whether arrangements would be to upgrade that Sub-depot to a main Depot; and
 - (iii) if so, when?
- (c) If not, why?

33.

755/2020

Hon. Shanakiyan Rajaputhiran Rasamanickam,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of people with housing needs in the Batticaloa district;
 - (ii) the number of partly constructed houses on private lands in the district;
 - (iii) the number of housing projects constructed as model villages?
- (b) If not, why?

34.

76/2020

Hon. Hesha Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Finance,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of private institutions located in the Rathnapura district, that have got registered in the Employees' Trust Fund;
 - (ii) of the names of the said institutions; and
 - (iii) separately on the basis of each divisional secretariat division, the number of employees of the Rathnapura district that have got registered in the aforesaid fund ?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the minimum qualifications needed to get registered in the Employees' Trust Fund?
- (c) If not, why?

35.

242/2020

Hon. Mohomad Muzammil,— To ask the Minister of Finance,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately, pertaining to each of the years during the period from 2015 to 2019, of—
 - (i) the quantity of Motor Spare Parts imported into Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the money that has been incurred on that;
 - (iii) the countries from which those Motor Spare Parts were imported; and
 - (iv) the companies which imported those Motor Spare Parts?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the total expenditure of importing Motor Spare Parts into Sri Lanka during the period concerned separately?
- (c) If not, why?

36.

832/2020

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,— To ask the Minister of Finance,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the first year in which Sri Lanka received direct foreign investments;
 - (ii) the value of total direct foreign investments received by Sri Lanka from that year to date;
 - (iii) the value of total foreign investments received by Sri Lanka as at 31.12.2014;

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- (iv) the value of direct foreign investments received from the year 2015 to year 2020; and
- (v) the investment value referred to in above (iv) separately in respect of each project?

(b) If not, why?

37.

1365/2020

Hon. Vijitha Herath,— To ask the Minister of Finance,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the operations of the Eyon Lanka Investment and Film Production International Company Private Limited financial institution located at “Saman Kekula”, Embalawa, Dematamaluwa, Kurunegala have been prohibited by the Central bank of Sri Lanka?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the reason that led to the ban imposed on the aforesaid institution;
 - (ii) the names of the chief and the staff members of the institution;
 - (iii) the names of its branches, if any; and
 - (iv) separately the assets owned by the said institution and each of its branches?
- (c) Is he aware that the depositors of the aforesaid institution are facing immense inconvenience due to the loss of their money and the interests?
- (d) Will he also state—
 - (i) separately the names of the depositors and the amounts deposited;
 - (ii) the steps that have been taken to settle the money deposited along with the relevant interests and the period of time that will be taken for this purpose;
 - (iii) the measures that will be taken against the perpetrators?
- (e) If not, why?

38.

754/2020

Hon. Shanakiyan Rajaputhiran Rasamanickam,— To ask the Minister of Tourism,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House the plans that have been prepared to promote the tourist industry in Batticaloa district?
- (b) If not, why?

39.

199/2020

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Economic Policies & Plan Implementation, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately—
 - (i) the number of Cabinet Ministries and State Ministries existing at present; and
 - (ii) the names of the aforesaid Ministries?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately—
 - (i) out of the aforesaid Cabinet Ministries and State Ministries, of number of those that are housed in private buildings;
 - (ii) the names of those ministries; and
 - (iii) the amount of the monthly rental paid to those buildings?
- (c) Will he state the nature of the steps that will be taken to shift the ministries that are housed in private buildings to state-owned buildings?
- (d) If not, why?

40.

493/2020

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Highways,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the length of the roads that belong to the central government, the provincial council and the local government institutions in the Bandarawela electorate in kilometers, separately;
 - (ii) out of the above roads, the length of the roads that are in dilapidated condition at present, in relation to each of the above mentioned institutions, separately; and
 - (iii) the measures, the Ministry intends to take to develop all roads that belong to the Bandarawela electorate soon?
 - (b) If not, why?
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AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Presentation of Bills

1.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Economic Policies & Plan Implementation, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,— Immigrants and Emigrants (Amendment),— Bill to amend the Immigrants and Emigrants Act (Chapter 351).

(Cabinet approval signified.)

2.

The Minister of Trade,— Consumer Affairs Authority (Amendment),— Bill to amend the Consumer Affairs Authority Act, No. 9 of 2003.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

Notice of Motions

3.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Business of the Parliament,— That the proceedings on Item No. 1 of Public Business appearing on the Order Paper be exempted at this day's sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order 27 of the Parliament.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Economic Policies & Plan Implementation, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,— Resolution under the Public Security Ordinance,— That the Proclamation made by the President under Section 2 of the Public Security Ordinance (Chapter 40), as amended by Act, No. 8 of 1959, Law No. 6 of 1978, and Act, No. 28 of 1988, bringing into operation of the Emergency Regulations prepared for supply of the essential food in terms of the provisions of Section 5 of Part II of the aforesaid Ordinance throughout Sri Lanka with effect from August 30th, 2021, be approved.

*2.

Securities and Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*3.

Finance Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*4.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Excise (Special Provisions) Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 3 of the Excise (Special Provisions) Act, No. 13 of 1989, as amended, relating to Excise duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2222/3 of 05th April 2021, which was presented on 03.08.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*5.

The Minister of Finance,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No.1),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance under Section 20 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 amended by Acts, No. 48 of 1985 and No. 28 of 1987 read with Sections 4(1), 6 and 14 of the aforesaid Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2231/16 of 11th June 2021, which were presented on 17.08.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*6.

The Minister of Finance,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No.2),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance under Section 20 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 amended by Acts, No. 48 of 1985 and No. 28 of 1987 read with Sections 4(1) and 14 of the aforesaid Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2231/17 of 11th June 2021, which were presented on 17.08.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*7.

The Minister of Finance,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No.3),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance under Section 20 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 amended by Acts, No. 48 of 1985 and No. 28 of 1987 read with Sections 4(1) and 14 of the aforesaid Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2231/18 of 11th June 2021, which were presented on 17.08.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.).

*8.

The Minister of Finance,— Regulations under the Value Added Tax Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance under Section 75 of the Value Added Tax Act, No. 14 of 2002 regarding Value Added Tax and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2228/33 of 20th May 2021, which were presented on 20.07.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*9.

Registration of Electors (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*10.

Petroleum Resources Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*11.

The Minister of Finance,— Notification under the Excise Ordinance,— That the Notification made by the Minister of Finance under Section 32 read with Sections 8 and 30 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52), regarding Excise and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2216/16 of 25th February 2021, which was presented on 03.08.2021, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 07/2021)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*12.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Ports and Airports Development Levy Act (No.1),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 3(3) of the Ports and Airports Development Levy Act, No. 18 of 2011 relating to Ports and Airports Development Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2216/3 of 22nd February 2021, which was presented on 03.08.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*13.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Ports and Airports Development Levy Act (No.2),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 3(3) of the Ports and Airports Development Levy Act, No. 18 of 2011 relating to Ports and Airports Development Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2218/51 of 09th March 2021, which was presented on 03.08.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*14.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Ports and Airports Development Levy Act (No.3),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 3(3) of the Ports and Airports Development Levy Act, No. 18 of 2011 relating to Ports and Airports Development Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2219/68 of 19th March 2021, which was presented on 03.08.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*15.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Ports and Airports Development Levy Act (No.4),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 3(3) of the Ports and Airports Development Levy Act, No. 18 of 2011 relating to Ports and Airports Development Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2224/8 of 19th April 2021, which was presented on 03.08.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*16.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Ports and Airports Development Levy Act (No.5),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 3(3) of the Ports and Airports Development Levy Act, No. 18 of 2011 relating to Ports and Airports Development Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2231/19 of 11th June 2021, which was presented on 03.08.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*17.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.1),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 2(3) of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007, relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2223/2 of 13th April 2021, which was presented on 04.08.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*18.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.2),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 2(3) of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007, relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2225/1 of 26th April 2021, which was presented on 04.08.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*19.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.3),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Sections 2 and 5 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007, relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2225/8 of 27th April 2021, which was presented on 04.08.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*20.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.4),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007, relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2225/13 of 27th April 2021, which was presented on 04.08.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*21.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.5),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 2(3) of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007, relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2228/3 of 17th May 2021, which was presented on 04.08.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*22.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.6),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 2(3) of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007, relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2232/3 of 14th June 2021, which was presented on 04.08.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*23.

The Minister of Finance,— Regulations under the Foreign Exchange Act (No.1),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance under Section 29 read with Section 7 of the Foreign Exchange Act, No. 12 of 2017 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2234/19 of 30th June 2021, which were presented on 05.08.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*24.

The Minister of Finance,— Regulations under the Foreign Exchange Act (No.2),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance under Section 29 read with Section 7 of the Foreign Exchange Act, No. 12 of 2017 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2234/20 of 30th June 2021, which were presented on 05.08.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*25.

The Minister of Finance,— Regulations under the Foreign Exchange Act (No.3),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance under Section 29 read with Section 7 of the Foreign Exchange Act, No. 12 of 2017 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2235/22 of 06th July 2021, which were presented on 05.08.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*26.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Foreign Exchange Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 22 of the Foreign Exchange Act, No. 12 of 2017 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2234/49 of 02nd July 2021, which were presented on 05.08.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*27.

Minister of Industries,— Regulations under the National Gem and Jewellery Authority Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Industries and Supply Chain Management under Section 53 read with Section 14(1)(f) and 15 of the National Gem and Jewellery Authority Act, No. 50 of 1993, relating to Gem and Jewellery License Fee and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2165/1 of 2nd March 2020 and the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2221/49 of 1st April 2021 made by the Minister of Industries under Section 53 of the National Gem and Jewellery Authority Act, No. 50 of 1993 for correcting the typographical errors in the said first Gazette, which were presented on 23.06.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*28.

The Minister of Finance,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance under Section 20 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 amended by Acts, No. 48 of 1985 and No. 28 of 1987 read with Sections 4(1) and 14 of the aforesaid Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2226/48 of 06th May 2021, which were presented on 23.06.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*29.

General Sir John Kotelawala National Defence University Bill— Adjourned debate on question (08th July 2021) [1].

*30.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Economic Policies & Plan Implementation, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,— Implementation of Decisions and Recommendations of the Presidential Commission of Inquiry to Investigate and Inquire into and obtain information in relation to alleged political victimizations of Public Officers, Employees of Public Corporations, and Members of Armed Forces and Police Service, who were holding posts during the period commencing from 08th January 2015 and ending on 16th November 2019,—

Approval of the Cabinet of Ministers has been granted with regard to the matters mentioned below, as per the Cabinet Decision අම/21/0105/301/003 and dated 15.02.2021 referred to the Cabinet Memorandum dated 15.01.2021 submitted to the Cabinet of Ministers by H.E. the President regarding the above matter:—

- (a) To submit the Final Report of the Presidential Commission of Inquiry (Contained in the First, Second and Third Volumes and the Addendum correcting the typographical and printing errors of the said report) through a Resolution in Parliament;

- (b) To implement of the decisions and recommendations made by the said Commission in relation to the Anti-Corruption Committee referred to in Item No. 08 of the First Volume of the said Final Report;
- (c) To make arrangements for the appointment of a Special Presidential Commission of Inquiry or for the creation of any other appropriate mechanism as determined by Parliament for the implementation of the decision No. 1 and recommendation No. 1 of the said Item No. 08;
- (d) To refer the decisions and recommendations made by the above Presidential Commission of Inquiry pertaining to Item No. 08 and to the complaints from I to LXI in Item No. 09 in the First, Second and Third Volumes and the Addendum correcting typographical and printing errors in the said Final Report, to the relevant authorities, including the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption, the Public Service Commission, the Inspector General of Police, the Minister in-charge of the relevant Ministries and the Secretaries to the Ministries, for implementation; and
- (e) To implement the decisions and recommendations made by the said Presidential Commission of Inquiry, pertaining to the complaints referred to under Item No. 10 in the Third Volume of the said Final Report.

Accordingly, since a Special Presidential Commission of Inquiry has been appointed by H.E. the President through the Extraordinary Gazette Notification No. 2221/54 and 01.04.2021 as mentioned in (c) above; subject to consideration on the implementation of the decisions and recommendations of Item No. 08 contained in the Final Report of the Presidential Commission of Inquiry mentioned in the aforesaid Cabinet Decision, after receiving the report of the Special Presidential Commission of Inquiry, that this Parliament resolves that the decisions and recommendations mentioned in the Item No. 09 and 10, omitting Item No. 08, in the said Final Report of the Presidential Commission of Inquiry (Containing the First, Second and Third Volume and the Addendum correcting the typographical and printing errors) which obtained information on the political victimizations mentioned in those Cabinet Decisions, be implemented as mentioned in (d) and (e) above.

31.

Declaration of Assets and Liabilities (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

32.

Tobacco Tax (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*** Indicates Government Business.**

[1].

Motion made and question proposed “That the Bill be now read a second time.”
